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Security Council

10 a.m. . . . . 4852nd meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Women and peace and security

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

10 a.m. . . . . 47th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

High-level dialogue for the implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development . . . . . [104 (b)]

(a) Reports by the Secretary-General (A/58/216 and A/58/323)

(b) Note by the Secretary-General (A/58/436)

(c) Report of the Economic and Social Council (A/58/3, Parts I-II)

(d) Note by the Secretariat (A/58/77, A/58/77/Add.1 and A/58/77/Add.2)

(e) Conference Room Paper (A/58/CRP.2)

Morning[1] Round tables

Round tables 1 and 2: *"Regional dimensions of the implementation of the results of the International Conference on Financing for Development"*

Round table 1 . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

Round table 2 . . . . . Conference Room 5

[1] Immediately following the adjournment of the 47th plenary meeting.

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Round tables 3 and 4: *"Coherence and consistency of the international monetary, financial and trading systems in support of development"*

Round table 3 . . . . . Conference Room 6

Round table 4 . . . . . Conference Room 7

3 p.m. Round tables

Round tables 5 and 6: *"The link between the progress in the implementation of the agreements and commitments reached at the International Conference on Financing for Development and the achievement of internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the United Nations Millennium Declaration"*

Round table 5 . . . . . Conference Room 5

Round table 6 . . . . . Conference Room 6

Round tables 7 and 8: *"The link between the progress in the implementation of the agreements and commitments reached at the International Conference on Financing for Development and the promotion of sustainable development, sustained economic growth and the eradication of poverty with a view to achieving an equitable global economic system"*

Round table 7 . . . . . Conference Room 7

Round table 8 . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development [agenda item 104 (b)]
(29–30 October 2003)

Inscriptions for Member States wishing to participate in the ministerial-level round tables

All delegations are invited to participate additionally in round tables 2 and 4, which still have availability, to be held *today*, 29 October 2003, in the morning, in Conference Rooms 5 and 7, respectively. Delegations wishing to do so may proceed directly to the relevant conference room to obtain access tickets from the Secretary of the round table.

Round table 2 (morning): *"Regional dimensions of the implementation of the results of the International Conference on Financing for Development"*

Round table 4 (morning): *"Coherence and consistency of the international monetary, financial and trading systems in support of development"*

Background information is available on the FFD Web site www.un.org/esa/ffd.

Main Committees

First Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 18th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under all disarmament and international security agenda items (items 62-80):

Documents of the First Committee: *item 63* (A/58/128, A/C.1/58/L.48); *item 64* (A/58/29, A/C.1/58/L.24); *item 65* (A/C.1/58/L.11, A/C.1/58/L.58); *item 67* (A/C.1/58/L.30); *item* 68 (A/C.1/58/L.3); *item 69* (A/58/373, A/C.1/58/L.33); *item 73* (A/58/117 and A/58/117/Add.1, A/58/117/Add.2, A/58/129, A/58/129/Add.1, A/58/130, A/58/138, A/58/162, A/58/162/Add.1, A/58/176 and A/58/176/Add.1, A/58/207, A/58/208, A/58/208/Add.1, A/58/406, A/58/848, A/C.1/58/4, A/C.1/58/L.1, A/C.1/58/L.1/Rev.1, A/C.1/58/L.15, A/C.1/58/L.16, A/C.1/58/L.16/Rev.1, A/C.1/58/L.17, A/C.1/58/L.18, A/C.1/58/L.19, A/C.1/58/L.25, A/C.1/58/L.25/Rev.1, A/C.1/58/L.26, A/C.1/58/L.27, A/C.1/58/L.29, A/C.1/58/L.35, A/C.1/58/L.39, A/C.1/58/L.40, A/C.1/58/L.43, A/C.1/58/L.46, A/C.1/58/L.47, A/C.1/58/L.53); *item 74* (A/58/122, A/58/139, A/58/177, A/58/190, A/58/203, A/58/274, A/C.1/58/L.7, A/C.1/58/L.21, A/C.1/58/L.28, A/C.1/58/L.54, A/C.1/58/L.55, A/C.1/58/L.57, A/C.1/58/L.59); *item 75* (A/58/27, A/58/42, A/58/259; A/58/316, A/C.1/58/L.20); *item 76* (A/58/259, A/58/137, A/58/137 (Part I), A/58/137 (Part I)/Add.1, A/58/137 (Part I)/Add.1/Corr.1, A/58/137 (Part II), A/C.1/58/L.23); and *item 78* (A/58/132, A/58/132/Add.1, A/58/132/Add.2, A/C.1/58/L.42) (other documents: A/C.1/58/1, A/C.1/58/2, A/C.1/58/3, A/C.1/58/3/Add.1, A/C.1/58/INF.1, A/C.1/58/INF.2, A/C.1/58/INF.2*, A/C.1/58/INF.2/Add.1)

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

3–6 p.m . . . . . 16th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Questions relating to information (A/58/21, A/58/175, A/58/16, chap. III, sect. B, programme 23, and A/58/90, annex) . . . . . [86]

Action on draft proposals contained in the report of the Committee on Information (A/58/21)

Third Committee

3–4.30 p.m. . . . . 27th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

1. Promotion and protection of the rights of children . . . . . [113]

   Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.3/58/L.25 and A/C.3/58/L.28

2. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People . . . . . [114]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.27

3. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination . . . . . [115]

(a) Elimination of racism and racial discrimination (A/58/3, A/58/18, A/58/80-E/2003/71 and A/58/313)

(b) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action (A/58/324 and A/58/331)

Rights of peoples to self-determination (A/58/115 and A/58/180) . . . . . [116]

Continuation of general discussion

Fifth Committee

9.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m. . . 11th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 . . . . . [121]

Programme planning . . . . . [122]

(A/58/6 and A/58/6/Corr.1 and A/58/6 (Introduction), A/58/6 (Sect. 1), A/58/6 (Sect. 2), A/58/6 (Sect. 3), A/58/6 (Sect. 3)/Corr.1, A/58/6 (Sect. 3)/Corr.2, A/58/6 (Sect. 4), A/58/6 (Sect. 5), A/58/6 (Sect. 6), A/58/6 (Sect. 7), A/58/6 (Sect. 8), A/58/6 (Sect. 9), A/58/6 (Sect. 10), A/58/6 (Sect. 11), A/58/6 (Sect. 12), A/58/6 (Sect. 13), A/58/6 (Sect. 13)/Add.1, A/58/6 (Sect. 14)/Rev.1, A/58/6 (Sect. 15), A/58/6 (Sect. 16), A/58/6 (Sect. 17), A/58/6 (Sect. 18), A/58/6 (Sect. 19), A/58/6 (Sect. 20), A/58/6 (Sect. 21), A/58/6 (Sect. 22), A/58/6 (Sect. 23), A/58/6 (Sect. 24), A/58/6 (Sect. 25), A/58/6 (Sect. 26), A/58/6 (Sect. 27), A/58/6 (Sect. 28), A/58/6 (Sect. 29), A/58/6 (Sect. 30), A/58/6 (Sect. 31), A/58/6 (Sect. 32), A/58/6 (Sect. 33), A/58/6 (Sect. 34), A/58/6 (Sect. 35), A/58/6 (Income Sect. 1), A/58/6 (Income Sect. 2), A/58/6 (Income Sect. 3), A/58/16, A/58/7 and A/58/7/Corr.1)

Continuation of general discussion

Sixth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 16th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

3–4.30 p.m. . . . . 17th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-fifth session (A/58/10) . . . . . [152]

4.30–5 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on agenda item 152 (Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-fifth session) (Draft resolution)

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO: revised estimates
2. Draft reports

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Informal consultations on agenda item 52 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 29 October 2003

JUSCANZ Group *(on Second Committee matters)*

9–9.45 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Eastern European States Group: Group of Experts on Candidatures

9.30–10.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Group of 77 *(Third Committee: follow-up to Beijing and Beijing+5; follow-up to Madrid; and INSTRAW)*

10–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

Group of 77 *(at the ambassadorial level)*

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)*

1–4.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Group of 77 *(on humanitarian issues)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Group of 77 *(on agenda items 93 (a), 99 (a) and 97 (b); and the draft resolution on the International Conference on Population and Development)*

3–5 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

10–11 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on violence against women (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands)

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The girl child" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Namibia)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Caribbean Community (CARICOM) *(on Second Committee matters)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Disarmament

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Southern African Development Committee (SADC) *(Third Committee experts) (agenda item 112)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Meeting of co-sponsors and open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on the international covenants on human rights (agenda item 117 (a)) (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

Open-ended meeting on the draft resolution on implementing actions proposed by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in strengthening the capacity of his Office to carry out its mandate (agenda item 112) (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Denmark)

3–5 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Rights of the child" (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy (on behalf of the European Union) and the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies" (agenda item 20) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mongolia)

3–4 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (agenda item 40 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)

4.30–5.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Briefing on "The International Financial Structure" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)

There will be a briefing on "The International Financial Structure", organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden, *today*, 29 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8. A new study on the international financial structure will be presented by its authors. The meeting will be chaired by Ms. Ruth Jacoby, Director-General for Development Cooperation, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Sweden. Members of permanent missions, agencies and organizations of the United Nations system, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

Panel discussion on "Policy Coherence, Mutual Accountability and Partnership: Fulfilling the Promises of Monterrey"

A panel discussion on "Policy Coherence, Mutual Accountability and Partnership: Fulfilling the Promises of Monterrey", organized by the United Nations Development Programme and the Centre for Global Development, in collaboration with the Financing for Development Office of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will be held *today*, 29 October 2003, from 1.30 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The meeting will be chaired by Mr. Hafiz Pasha, Assistant Administrator and Regional Director for Asia and the Pacific, UNDP. Members of permanent missions, agencies and organizations of the United Nations system, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Dasa Silovic (tel. 1 (212) 906-5329).

United Nations Administrative Tribunal

The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will hold closed meetings *today*, 29 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in room DC2-0461.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Wednesday, 29 October 2003

Room S-226

11 a.m. . . . . Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs (on the High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development)

Forthcoming official meetings

Thursday, 30 October 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

9.30 a.m. . . . . . **48th plenary meeting** . . . . . General Assembly Hall

High-level dialogue for the implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development . . . . . [104 (b)]

(a) Reports by the Secretary-General (A/58/216 and A/58/323)

(b) Note by the Secretary-General (A/58/436)

(c) Report of the Economic and Social Council (A/58/3, Parts I-II)

(d) Note by the Secretariat (A/58/77, A/58/77/Add.1 and A/58/77/Add.2)

(e) Conference Room Paper (A/58/CRP.2)

Morning[1] . . . . . Conference Room 4

Informal interactive dialogue, chaired by the President of the General Assembly

3–6 p.m. . . . . . Conference Room 4

Informal interactive dialogue, chaired by the President of the General Assembly

6 p.m. . . . . . **49th plenary meeting** . . . . . General Assembly Hall

High-level dialogue for the implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development . . . . . [104 (b)]

(a) Reports by the Secretary-General (A/58/216 and A/58/323)

(b) Note by the Secretary-General (A/58/436)

(c) Report of the Economic and Social Council (A/58/3, Parts I-II)

(d) Note by the Secretariat (A/58/77, A/58/77/Add.1 and A/58/77/Add.2)

(e) Conference Room Paper (A/58/CRP.2)

[1] Immediately following the adjournment of the 48th plenary meeting.

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 12th meeting on Thursday, 30 October 2003, at 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Informal consultations (closed) will also be held at 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Second Committee

Panel discussion

There will be a panel discussion on "Trade" on Friday, 31 October 2003, following the adjournment of the 51st meeting of the Economic and Social Council (at approximately 4 p.m.), in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The meeting will be chaired by H.E. Mr. Iftekhar Chowdhury (Bangladesh), Chairman of the Second Committee. The proceedings will begin with a keynote address by Mr. Pascal Lamy, European Union Commissioner for Trade, followed by a question-and-answer session. Ambassador Clodoaldo Hugueney, Under-Secretary General for Economic and Technological Affairs, Ministry of External Relations of Brazil, will then address the Committee. A dialogue session will follow, in which Mr. Roberto Bissio, Instituto del Tercer Mundo, will participate as lead discussant. Members of permanent missions, agencies and organizations of the United Nations system, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information please contact, the Division for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-4201; or e-mail ecosocinfo@un.org).

Informal dialogue

There will be a dialogue between the Second Committee and the new Chief Economist of the World Bank, Mr. François Bourguignon, on Wednesday, 5 November 2003, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Third Committee

The Third Committee will hear introductory statements by the Special Rapporteurs and Special Representatives presenting reports to the Committee, as follows:

Under agenda item 117:

Monday, 10 November 2003, at 3 p.m.: Ms. Hina Jilani (Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Human Rights Defenders); Mr. Peter Leuprecht (Special Representative of the Secretary-General for human rights in Cambodia); and Ms. Gabriela Rodríguez Pizarro (Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants);

Tuesday, 11 November, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Abdelfattah Amor (Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief); Mr. Theo van Boven (Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment); and Mr. Francis Deng (Special Representative of the Secretary-General on internally displaced persons); *at 3 p.m.*: Mr. Jean Ziegler (Special Rapporteur on the right to food); Mr. Paul Hunt (Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health); and Ms. Yakin Ertürk (Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences); and

Wednesday, 12 November, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Paulo Sérgio Pinheiro (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar); Ms. Marie-Thérèse Aïssata Kéita-Bocoum (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Burundi); and Ms. Iulia Motoc (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo); *at 3 p.m.*: Mr. Andreas Mavrommatis (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Iraq); and Mr. John Dugard (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967).

Following the introduction of each of these reports, the floor will be open to members of the Committee for dialogue, questions and comments. All interested members of the Committee are invited to participate.

United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities

The 2003 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities will be held on Tuesday, 4 November 2003, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4. It would be appreciated if delegations could submit the names of their representatives to the pledging conference, in writing, to Ms. Lorna Fidler (tel. 1 (212) 963-2319; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). The list of speakers will be open as of Friday, 24 October 2003. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact Ms. Lorna Fidler.

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Informal consultations on agenda item 52 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 52 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea) will be held as follows: Thursday, 30 October, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3; and Friday, 31 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Economic and Social Council

Resumed substantive session 2003

Informal consultations

The President of the Economic and Social Council, Mr. Gert Rosenthal (Guatemala), will hold informal consultations on Friday, 31 October 2003, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council, on all issues before the 51st meeting of the resumed substantive session of the Council.

Resumed substantive session 2003

The Economic and Social Council will hold its 51st meeting on Friday, 31 October 2003, in the afternoon[1], in the Economic and Social Council, on the following outstanding matters before the resumed substantive session 2003:

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (E/2003/104 and E/2003/105[2]) [1]

Elections (postponed elections)[3]:

Commission on Science and Technology for Development

Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting

United Nations International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (E/2003/L.3/Add.13)

Committee for the United Nations Population Award

[1] Immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations of the Economic and Social Council.

[2] To be issued.

[3] For additional information on elections, please contact Ms. Nancy Beteta (tel. 1 (212) 963-5722).

Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme

Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)

International Narcotics Control Board (E/2003/L.3/Add.12)

2. Regional cooperation (E/2003/15/Add.2)[1] . . . . . [10]

3. Economic and environmental questions. . . . . [13]

(h) International cooperation in tax matters

(i) United Nations Forum on Forests (E/2003/42)

[1] To be issued.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Mason Group *(on First Committee matters)*

There will be a meeting of the Mason Group *(on First Committee matters)* on Thursday, 30 October 2003, at 9 a.m. in Conference Room 5.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on violence against women (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on violence against women (Third Committee), organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands, will be held on Thursday, 30 October 2003, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Group of 77 (*Third Committee: follow-up to Beijing and Beijing+5; follow up to Madrid; and INSTRAW)*

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 (*Third Committee: follow-up to Beijing and Beijing+5; follow up to Madrid; and INSTRAW*) on Thursday, 30 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Group of 77 (*Second Committee: sustainable and environmental issues; and partnerships)*

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(Second Committee: sustainable and environmental issues; and partnerships)* on Friday, 31 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Group of 77 (*Second Committee: on trade issues)*

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(Second Committee: on trade issues)* on Friday, 31 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 to 5 p.m., in a conference room to be announced.

African Group *(on the draft resolution on refugees, returnees and displaced persons in Africa) (Third Committee)*

There will be meetings of the African Group *(on the draft resolution on refugees, returnees and displaced persons in Africa) (Third Committee)*, on Thursday and Friday, 30 and 31 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber; and on Monday, 3 November, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m., in a conference room to be announced.

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Situation of and assistance to Palestinian children" (A/C.3/58/L.24) (agenda item 113) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Egypt)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Situation of and assistance to Palestinian children" (A/C.3/58/L.24) (agenda item 113), organized by the Permanent Mission of Egypt, on Thursday, 30 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Round table on "Campaigning for the Millennium Development Goals in the United States: Challenges, Opportunities and the NetAid Approach"

There will be a round table on "Campaigning for the Millennium Development Goals in the United States: Challenges, Opportunities and the NetAid Approach", co-sponsored by the World Federation of United Nations Associations and the NGO Section of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Thursday, 30 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8. Members of permanent missions, agencies and organizations of the United Nations system, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

Presentation of the *Human Development Report 2003* on "Millennium Development Goals: a compact among nations to end human poverty"

There will be a presentation of the *Human Development Report 2003* on "Millennium Development Goals: a compact among nations to end human poverty", organized by the Human Development Report Office, United Nations Development Programme, in collaboration with the Financing for Development Office of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Thursday, 30 October 2003, from 1.30 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The report will be presented by Ms. Sakiko Fukuda-Parr, Director, Human Development Report Office, UNDP, and Ms. Eveline Herfkens, Executive Coordinator for the Millennium Development Goals Campaign. Members of permanent missions, agencies and organizations of the United Nations system, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Nena Terrell (tel. 1 (212) 906-3629).

Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO)

There will be meetings of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO) on Thursday, 30 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8; and on Monday, 3 November, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment (agenda item 117 (a)) (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Denmark)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment (agenda item 117 (a)) (Third Committee), organized by the Permanent Mission of Denmark, on Thursday, 30 October 2003, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster" (agenda item 40 (c)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster" (agenda item 40 (c)), organized by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation, on Thursday, 30 October 2003, from 4 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Briefings by Executive Secretaries of regional commissions on the regional implementation of financing for development and of sustainable development

Ms. Brigita Schmögnerová, Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Europe (ECE), will hold a briefing for ECE Member States, on Friday, 31 October 2003, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room 9.

Ms. Alicia Bárcena, Officer-in-Charge, Deputy Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), will hold a briefing for the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States, on Friday, 31 October 2003, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 9.

Mr. K.Y. Amoako, Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), will hold a briefing for the African Group *(at the ambassadorial level)*, on Friday, 31 October 2003, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Meeting of interested delegations on the draft resolution entitled "Programme of Action for the International Year of Microcredit, 2005" (A/C.2/58/L.3) (agenda item 98) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Guatemala)

There will be a meeting of interested delegations on the draft resolution entitled "Programme of Action for the International Year of Microcredit, 2005" (A/C.2/58/L.3) (agenda item 98), organized by the Permanent Mission of Guatemala, on Friday, 31 October 2003, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Meeting of interested delegations on the draft resolution entitled "Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds and assets of illicit origin and returning such funds and assets to the countries of origin" (A/C.2/58/L.2) (agenda item 92) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Portugal)

There will be a meeting of interested delegations on the draft resolution entitled "Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds and assets of illicit origin and returning such funds and assets to the countries of origin" (A/C.2/58/L.2) (agenda item 92), organized by the Permanent Mission of Portugal, on Friday, 31 October 2003, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in *Conference Room 8*.

Southern African Development Community (SADC) *(on the draft resolution on assistance to Malawi) (Second Committee experts)*

There will be a meeting of the Southern African Development Community (SADC) *(on the draft resolution on assistance to Malawi) (Second Committee experts)*, on Friday, 31 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution on violence against women (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands)

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution on violence against women (Third Committee), organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands, on Friday, 31 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Meeting of co-sponsors and open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on the international covenants on human rights (agenda item 117 (a)) (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)

A meeting of co-sponsors and open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on the international covenants on human Rights (agenda item 117 (a)) (Third Committee), organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden, will be held on Friday, 31 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Briefing on the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) (organized by the United Nations Information and Communication Technologies Task Force)

There will be a briefing by Mr. Mark Furrer, State Secretary, Director of the Federal Office of Communications, Switzerland; Mr. Daniel Stauffacher, Delegate of the Swiss Federal Council for the World Summit; and Mr. Nitin Desai, Special Advisor to the Secretary-General on the World Summit on the Information Society, on the first phase of the World Summit, to be held in Geneva from 10 to 12 December 2003. The briefing, organized by the United Nations Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Task Force, will be held on Monday, 3 November 2003, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Background material on the World Summit can be obtained on the following Web site: www.itu.int/wsis/. For further information, please contact Ms. Maria Lehtinen, ICT Task Force secretariat (e-mail lehtinen@un.org).

UNITAR French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions for members of permanent missions in New York. The workshop will be held on Monday, 3 November 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; on Tuesday, 4 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.; and on Wednesday, 5 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is *today*, 29 October 2003. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Towards global partnership" (agenda item 46) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy)

There will be informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Towards global partnership" (agenda item 46), organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy, on 3, 5 and 7 November 2003 from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 7.

Panel discussion on microcredit

There will be a panel discussion on microcredit, co-organized by the Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States and the Microcredit Summit Campaign, on the occasion of the release of the *State of the Microcredit Summit Campaign Report*, on Monday, 3 November 2003, from 1 to 2.15 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

Members of the permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Carol Sakubita (tel. 1 (917) 367-5710).

Symposia on population and development

The symposia on population and development, organized by the Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States and the Office of the Permanent Observer of Partners in Population and Development to the United Nations, will continue at Headquarters, as follows:

Symposium II on "Family Planning, Reproductive Health and Development": Monday, 3 November 2003, from 3 to 5.30 p.m., in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium;

Symposium III on "Empowerment of Women": Monday, 10 November, from 3 to 5.30 p.m., in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium; and

Symposium IV on "Population and HIV/AIDS": Wednesday, 19 November, from 4 to 6 p.m., in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend [For further information: tel. 1 (212) 457-1828; e-mail rgarvey@ppdsec.org].

JUSCANZ Group ***(on Third Committee matters)***

There will be meetings of the JUSCANZ Group *(on Third Committee matters)*, as follows: 4 November 2003, from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room A; 11 November, from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room B; and from 17 to 21 November, from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room D.

UNITAR briefing on "Developments in Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea"

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea of the Office of Legal Affairs are jointly organizing a briefing on "Developments in Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea". The briefing, to be conducted in English, will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, 5 and 6 November 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, the tentative programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all permanent missions in New York. The registration deadline is Friday, 31 October 2003. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 or 963-9196).

UNITAR Briefing on the Security Council for members of the Council

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a briefing on the Security Council for members of the Council. The briefing is intended primarily for representatives of those States that will be members of the Council in 2004. Depending on the availability of seats, delegates from other States may attend as observers. The briefing will be held on the following dates: Monday, 10 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.; Tuesday, 11 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 12 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; and Thursday, 13 November 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all States that will be members of the Security Council in 2004. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 5 November. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Appointments

Security Council — **Daily informal briefings**

As from Friday, 3 October 2003, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the NAM Caucus Room.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Summary of meetings

Tuesday, 28 October 2003

Security Council

4850th meeting

The situation concerning Western Sahara

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation concerning Western Sahara (S/2003/1016)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2003/1034, which had been prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution (S/2003/1034) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2003/1034) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1513 (2003).

4851st meeting

The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

The agenda was adopted without objection.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Benon Sevan, Executive Director of the Office of the Iraq Programme.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Sevan.

Statements were made by the representatives of Germany, Spain, Bulgaria, the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom, the Syrian Arab Republic, Pakistan, Chile, Cameroon, Angola and France, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the United States.

Mr. Sevan responded to comments and questions raised.

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

45th plenary meeting

Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly [55]; United Nations reform: measures and proposals [57]; Restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields [58]; Strengthening of the United Nations system: reports of the Secretary-General (A/57/786, A/58/175, A/58/351, A/58/382, A/58/395 and A/58/395/Corr.1) [59]: joint debate

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda items 55, 57, 58 and 59.

Statements were made by the representatives of Viet Nam, France, India, the Republic of Korea, Bangladesh, the Philippines, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, the Russian Federation, Nigeria, the United Republic of Tanzania, China, Kazakhstan, Singapore, Slovenia and Croatia.

46th plenary meeting

Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly [55]; United Nations reform: measures and proposals [57]; Restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields [58]; Strengthening of the United Nations system: reports of the Secretary-General (A/57/786, A/58/175, A/58/351, A/58/382, A/58/395 and Corr.1) [59]: joint debate

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda items 55, 57, 58 and 59.

Statements were made by the representatives of Thailand, Portugal, Indonesia, Yemen, the Bahamas, Liechtenstein, the Netherlands, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Belize, Senegal, Ecuador, Nepal, Saint Lucia, Mongolia, the Sudan, Zimbabwe, Papua New Guinea, Cuba, Poland, the Syrian Arab Republic, Germany, Eritrea,and Israel.

Main Committees

First Committee

17th meeting

The Committee continued its third phase of work, namely, action on all draft resolutions/decisions submitted under disarmament and international security agenda items (items 62-80).

The Chairman made a statement.

The representative of Japan made a statement.

Draft resolution A/C.1/58/L.31* was adopted as follows: operative paragraph 1 as a whole was adopted by a recorded vote of 140 to 4, with 5 abstentions; and draft resolution A/C.1/58/L.31* as a whole was adopted by a recorded vote of 104 to 29, with 20 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Luxembourg (on behalf of the Benelux countries) and Japan.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

Draft resolution A/C.1/58/L.50 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/58/L.51 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/58/L.9 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/58/L.10 was adopted by a recorded vote of 158 to 1, with 1 abstention.

In explanation of vote after the vote, the representative of India made a statement.

In explanation of vote before the vote, the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic and Cuba made statements.

Draft resolution A/C.1/58/L.32 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/58/L.45 was adopted vote as follows: operative paragraph 2 was adopted by a recorded vote of 138 to none, with 22 abstentions; operative paragraph 3, the last words of operative paragraph 4 and operative paragraph 8 were adopted by a recorded vote of 138 to none, with 22 abstentions; operative paragraph 4 as a whole was adopted by a recorded vote of 137 to none, with 22 abstentions; and draft resolution A/C.1/58/L.45 as a whole was adopted by a recorded vote of 140 to none, with 23 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Syrian Arab Republic, China, Algeria, Israel, Myanmar and Egypt made statements.

Draft resolution A/C.1/58/L.5 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/58/L.13 was adopted without a vote.

The Chairman of the Committee made a statement.

Other matters

The representative of Italy, Haiti, Australia and Kenya made statements.

The Chairman of the Committee made a statement.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

15th meeting

Questions relating to information . . . . . [86]

On the proposal of its Chairman, the Committee decided to close the list of speakers in the general debate on the same day, at 6 p.m.

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate with statements from the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, Japan, Yemen, Myanmar, Egypt, Jamaica (on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)), Bangladesh, Singapore, the Republic of Korea, India, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Cuba, the Russian Federation, the United States, Bahrain, Switzerland, Kazakhstan and Indonesia.

Following a statement by the Chairman, the Committee agreed to have a representative from the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics make a brief statement in the Committee at the end of the general debate on the item.

Third Committee

26th meeting

Advancement of Women . . . . . [110]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

The Secretary made a statement.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.19

The representative of Canada introduced and orally revised the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Argentina, Azerbaijan, Belize, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ecuador, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Finland, Guatemala, Italy, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Malta, Namibia, the Netherlands, Nicaragua, Peru, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, the Republic of Moldova, Romania, Spain, Switzerland, Tunisia, Ukraine, the United States of America, Uruguay and Venezuela. Austria, Bangladesh, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Central African Republic, Ghana, Greece, Haiti, Jamaica, Morocco, Mozambique, Nigeria, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Zambia and Zimbabwe joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/L.22

The representative of the Netherlands introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Bulgaria, the Central African Republic, Iceland, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. The Dominican Republic, Estonia, Liechtenstein, Madagascar and Venezuela joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children . . . . . [113]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.23

The representative of Benin made a statement and introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of her delegation, and Afghanistan, Algeria, Azerbaijan, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cape Verde, the Central African Republic, China, the Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, the Dominican Republic, Egypt, Gabon, Guinea, Malawi, the Niger, Nigeria, Pakistan and Senegal. Cameroon, Dominica, Eritrea, Haiti, Madagascar, Qatar and Sierra Leone joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/58/L.24

The representative of Egypt introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Djibouti, Jordan, Kuwait, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Morocco, the United Arab Emirates and Yemen. Algeria, Bangladesh, Cuba, Indonesia, Malaysia, Namibia, Nigeria, Oman, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, South Africa and the Sudan joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Organization of work

The Secretary informed the Committee on the guidelines for the submission of draft proposals.

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination . . . . . [115]

(a) Elimination of racism and racial discrimination

(b) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

Rights of peoples to self-determination . . . . . [116]

The Committee continued its joint consideration of the items and heard statements by the representatives of China, Chile, Guyana, Indonesia, the Syrian Arab Republic,

Jamaica, Barbados and Antigua and Barbuda (on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)).

The observer for Palestine also made a statement.

Fifth Committee

10th meeting

Improving the financial situation of the United Nations (A/58/531) . . . . . [123]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The Under-Secretary-General for Management updated the Committee on the current financial situation of the United Nations.

Statements were made by the representatives of Japan, Italy (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway), Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Peru (on behalf of the Rio Group), New Zealand (on behalf of Canada, Australia and New Zealand), Ghana, the Russian Federation, Japan, India and Venezuela.

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 . . . . . [121]

Programme planning. . . . . [122]

The Committee began its consideration of these agenda items.

The Secretary-General addressed the Committee and introduced the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 (A/58/6, A/58/6/Corr.1, A/58/6 (Introduction), A/58/6 (Sect. 1), A /58/6 (Sect. 2), A/58/6 (Sect. 3), A/58/6 (Sect. 3)/Corr.1, A/58/6 (Sect. 3)/Corr.2, A/58/6 (Sect. 4), A/58/6 (Sect. 5), A/58/6 (Sect. 6), A/58/6 (Sect. 7), A/58/6 (Sect. 8), A/58/6 (Sect. 9), A/58/6 (Sect. 10), A/58/6 (Sect. 11), A/58/6 (Sect. 12), A/58/6 (Sect. 13), A/58/6 (Sect. 13)/Add.1, A/58/6 (Sect. 14)/Rev.1, A/58/6 (Sect. 15), A/58/6 (Sect. 16), A/58/6 (Sect. 17), A/58/6 (Sect. 18), A/58/6 (Sect. 19), A/58/6 (Sect. 20), A/58/6 (Sect. 21), A/58/6 (Sect. 22), A/58/6 (Sect. 23), A/58/6 (Sect. 24), A/58/6 (Sect. 25), A/58/6 (Sect. 26), A/58/6 (Sect. 27), A/58/6 (Sect. 28), A/58/6 (Sect. 29), A/58/6 (Sect. 30), A/58/6 (Sect. 31), A/58/6 (Sect. 32), A/58/6 (Sect. 33), A/58/6 (Sect. 34), A/58/6 (Sect. 35), A/58/6 (Income Sect. 1), A/58/6 (Income Sect. 2) and A/58/6 (Income Sect. 3)).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the report of that Committee on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 (A/58/7 and A/58/7/Corr.1).

The Chairman of the Committee for Programme and Coordination introduced the report of that Committee on the work at its forty-third session (A/58/16).

Statements were made by the representatives of Japan, Italy (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey, Iceland and Liechtenstein), Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada), Botswana (on behalf of the African Group), Peru (on behalf of the Rio Group), Saudi Arabia and the United States.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Sixth Committee

15th meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-fifth session . [152]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 152.

Statements were made by the representatives of Canada, Gabon, the United Kingdom, Greece, the United States, Chile, Israel, Argentina, Portugal, the Russian Federation, Spain and Belarus.

The Chairman spoke.

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

Human Rights Committee
Seventy-ninth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

Thursday, 23 October 2003

2143rd meeting (closed)

The Committee heard country reports by task forces.

2144th meeting

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 40 of the Covenant [6]

The Committee began its consideration of the fifth periodic report of the Russian Federation.

Friday, 24 October 2003

2145th–2146th meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 40 of the Covenant [6]

The Committee continued its consideration of the fifth periodic report of the Russian Federation.

Monday, 27 October 2003

2147th meeting (closed) The Committee considered the situation of civil and political rights in Equatorial Guinea (non-reporting State party).

2148th meeting (closed)

Consideration of communications under the Optional Protocol to the Covenant . . [9]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on the International Maritime Organization. Geneva, 6 March 1948

Acceptance: Kiribati (28 October 2003)[1]

Amendment to article 28 of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization. London, 28 September 1965

Acceptance: Kiribati (28 October 2003)[1]

Amendments to the title and substantive provisions of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization. London, 14 November 1975 and 9 November 1977

Acceptance: Kiribati (28 October 2003)[1]

Amendments to the Convention on the International Maritime Organization, (institutionalization of the Facilitation Committee). London, 7 November 1991

Acceptance: Kiribati (28 October 2003)[1]

Amendments to the Convention on the International Maritime Organization. London, 4 November 1993

Acceptance: Kiribati (28 October 2003)[1]

Amendments to articles 10, 16, 17, 18, 20, 28, 31 and 32 of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization. London, 17 October 1974

Acceptance: Kiribati (28 October 2003)[1]

Amendments to the Convention on the International Maritime Organization relating to the institutionalization of the Committee on Technical Co-operation in the Convention. London, 17 November 1977

Acceptance: Kiribati (28 October 2003)[1]

Amendments to articles 17, 18, 20 and 51 of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization. London, 15 November 1979

Acceptance: Kiribati (28 October 2003)[1]

Amendments to articles 17 and 18 of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization. London, 15 September 1964

Acceptance: Kiribati (28 October 2003)[1]

Convention on the Recovery Abroad of Maintenance. New York, 20 June 1956

Designation of authorities under article 2, paragraphs 1 and 2: Colombia (27 October 2003)[1]

Notification under article 3: Colombia (27 October 2003)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

United Nations Convention Against Corruption. New York, 31 October 2003

Opening for signature

The above Convention is expected to be adopted on Friday, 31 October 2003, during the the plenary meeting of the General Assembly at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

It is also expected that the Convention will be open for signature from 9 to 11 December 2003 at the "Centro de Convenciones y Exposiciones Yucatán Siglo XXI" in Mérida, Mexico, and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters in New York until 9 December 2005 by all States and by regional economic integration organizations, provided that at least one Member State of such organization is a signatory to the Convention.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf of a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in the possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities. Full powers are distinct from credentials. Credentials alone are not adequate for the purpose of signing a treaty.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Convention could, as necessary, provide copies of the required full powers by *4 December 2003* to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters in New York (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org). Original instruments of full powers should be provided to the depositary representative at the signature ceremony.

Other announcements

DPI/NGO briefing

This week, the topic of the DPI/NGO briefing will be "Global Security Treaties: Strengthening the Rule of Law." The Briefing will be held on Thursday, 30 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Tala Dowlatshahi, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-1859).

Special event to launch the International Year of Rice, 2004

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/162, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) will launch the International Year of Rice, 2004, at a ceremony to be held on Friday, 31 October 2003, from 12.30 to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Members of permanent missions, agencies and organizations of the United Nations system, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Special event on the occasion of the third anniversary of the adoption of the Security Council resolution 1325 (2002) (Women, peace and security)

On the occasion of the third anniversary of the adoption of the Security Council resolution 1325 (2000) (Women, peace and security), a panel discussion on "Impact of 1325 – Reality or Fiction?", co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women, Department of Political Affairs, and the Inter-Agency Task Force on Women, Peace and Security, will be held on Friday, 31 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Members of the permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Office of the Special Adviser on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women (tel. 1 (212) 963 5221; e-mail osagi@un.org).

Web sites

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Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on 28 October 2003.

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